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Information Paper

Flood Control: Red River of the North, Section 205, Ada, Mn.



Levee adjacent to Judicial Ditch No. 51 in Ada, Minn.

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Location/Description

Ada is located in central Norman County about 32 miles north-northeast of Moorhead, Minnesota. Ada is bordered by Judicial Ditch No. 51 on the north and by the old Marsh River on the south. The Wild Rice River lies approximately two miles to the south of Ada. The area is subject to flooding on an almost yearly basis.

Background: In April 1997, most of Ada was flooded and Ada received approximately \$2 million in flood damages. Flooding occurred from the south side of Ada from the old Marsh River and from the north side of Ada from Judicial Ditch No. 51. Ice jams on the Wild Rice River worsened the flooding at Ada.

Status

On December 10, 1997, the Wild Rice Watershed District, acting as the sponsor for the City of Ada, Minnesota, requested that the Corps of Engineers initiate a study to determine the feasibility of constructing a levee system to protect the city of Ada. Funds were made available, and a Determination of Federal Interest was completed in 1999.

A Feasibility Cost Share Agreement was signed on 7 April 2000, with the Wild Rice Watershed District acting as the Local Sponsor on behalf of the City of Ada. An interim report is scheduled to be completed in March 2001.

Authority

Section 205 of the 1948 Flood Control Act, as amended.

Fiscal

Federal Cost	N/A
Non-Federal Cost	N/A
Total Estimated Cost	N/A